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Dear Fred,

Many thanks for your quick response to my request for estimation of the threat posed by Soviet ICBMs if stationed in Cuba. We had assumed that they were inherently more accurate, and so it is good to have in some precise terms what this meant.

As you anticipated, the stationing of ICBMs in Cuba was too tempting to the Soviets. In mid-September Albert asked me if I were sure the Soviets weren't putting ICBMs into Cuba. He had a hunch they might. My answer was sort of a non-sequitur. They'd be crazy to do it. We were both right.

These missiles added to the Soviet ICBM capability might have reduced by 30% the vehicles, and by 40% the weapons that the US could deliver against the Soviet Union. This assumes that SAC has dispersed.

Again, we appreciate yours and Mike Arnsen's efforts to take a quick fix on the problem and send in the data.

Sincerely,

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